COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Steve C. Davis

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on **Monday, March 14, 2011**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:22 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Ms. Nicole Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council. Committee Member Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2 and Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5 were excused.

ALSO PRESENT: Council Member Mrs. Cathy Davis, District No. 4, ex officio, Council Member Mr. Jack Schurlknight, District No. 6, ex officio.

Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, District No. 7, ex officio was not present.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman S. Davis: "Good afternoon. I would like to call the Justice and Public Safety committee to order. First on the agenda is the approval of minutes from the February 14, 2011 meeting."

Committee Member Farley: "Move for approval"

Committee Member C. Davis: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "We have a motion and a second. Are there any corrections to these minutes? (No Response) All in favor signify by saying Aye? (Ayes) Opposed? (No Response) The minutes stand approved as presented."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Ms. Roxanne Willey, Communications Deputy Director, Re: National Public Safety Telecommunications week.

Ms. Theresa Barnett, Communications: "Hi, I'm Theresa Barnett with Communications. I'm filling in for Roxanne Willey. It's the time of year again when we are acknowledged and shown appreciation for the men and women behind the scenes. Berkeley County 911

Communications Center is celebrating the 2^{nd} full week of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, April $10-16^{th}$, sponsored by APSCO, the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials. Some of the ways that we are going to celebrate are with Certificates of Appreciation, training opportunities and choosing a Dispatcher of the Year. The stats for 2010 telephone calls that we received for emergency calls were 87,577. Non-emergency – 240,000; Calls we dispatched for law enforcement – 86,285; EMS – 14,000; Fire – 11,000. We would like for our County Council members to join us and take part."

Chairman S. Davis: "So you are asking us have this proclamation?"

Ms. Barnett: "Yes"

Chairman S. Davis: "Ok. It's open. Need a motion and a second and all that great stuff."

Committee Member Call: "Move to approve"

Chairman S. Davis: "Can I get a second?"

Committee Member Farley: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "It has been properly moved and seconded. Any further discussion? (No Response) All those in favor signify by saying Aye? (Ayes) Those opposed? (No Response) It's passed. And what we do, Theresa, we will read this proclamation on our 28th day of March when we bring it in front of County Council, ok? Thank you very much for all that y'all do."

It was moved by Committee Member Call and seconded by Committee Member Farley to proclaim April 10 – 16, 2011 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Berkeley County. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

B. Mr. Rembert Wrenn, Berkeley County Fire Commissioner, Re: Transfer of pool fire fees:

Mr. Wrenn: "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. As I requested tonight to transfer funds from the pool fees to the Berkeley County Training Center and that is for repairs on the building and training equipment that we use throughout the year. Also, \$12,635 to Jamestown Rural Fire Department. They just received a new truck with FEMA funds and we are going to have equip the truck with training gear. That is what the \$12,000 is for."

Chairman S. Davis: "Mr. Wrenn, just a question. When these amounts are asked for, there is a group that makes the decision before it comes to us?"

Mr. Wrenn: "Do what now?"

Chairman S. Davis: "Is there a group...the \$19,800 to Berkeley County Training Center. You've had discussions with the Board?"

Mr. Wrenn: "Yes, the County Fire Board approved."

Chairman S. Davis: "Ok, the County Fire Board has approved this."

Mr. Wrenn: "Yes, it is a five member board that ya'll appoint."

Chairman S. Davis: "They've asked that we approve both of these transfers?"

Mr. Wrenn: "Yes"

Chairman S. Davis: "It's open for discussion at this time."

Committee Member Farley: "Mr. Wrenn, how much is in total that we have in the pool fire fee?"

Mr. Wrenn: "We just got an update today."

Ms. Kace Smith, Finance Director/Deputy Supervisor: "Good evening County Council. To date there is \$54,219 in the pooled fire fees account and that's cumulative of the fire fees collected through June 30, 2010. We don't really recognize the balance of the additional money until the end of the year and we are sure. There is a current cash balance of approximately \$142,000."

Committee Member Farley: "\$142?"

Ms. Smith: "That is the cash balance, but once again, we recognize the \$54,219 as the pooled carryover balance that is available to be used."

Committee Member Farley: "This 32 will come from the 54?"

Ms. Smith: "Yes sir."

1. Transfer in the amount of \$19,800.00 to Berkeley County Training Center for operations.

Chairman S. Davis: "What is the pleasure of this Committee?"

Committee Member Farley: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Call: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "Any further discussion? (No Response) All those in favor signify by saying Aye? (Ayes) Those opposed? (No Response) The Ayes have it. Stand approved. Motion carries. Thank you, Mr. Wrenn."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member Call to approve the Transfer in the amount of \$19,800.00 to Berkeley County Training Center for operations. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

2. Transfer in the amount of \$12,635.00 to Jamestown Rural for fire truck equipment.

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member Call to approve the Transfer in the amount of \$12,635.00 to Jamestown Rural for fire truck equipment. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

C. Mr. Tom Smith, Berkeley County Emergency Preparedness Department, Re: Annual Recurring Grant Applications. (Four (4) Grants, no matching funds required.)

Committee Member Farley: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Call: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "Any discussion? (No Response) All those in favor signify by Aye? (Ayes) Those opposed? (No Response) The Ayes have it. Thank you, Mr. Smith. Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member Call to approve the Annual Recurring Grant Application. (Four (4) Grants, no matching funds required.) The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman S. Davis: "I would entertain a motion to adjourn"

Committee Member Call: "So move"

Committee Member Farley: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "All those in favor signify by Ayes? (Ayes) We stand adjourned."

It was moved by Committee Member Call and seconded by Committee Member Farley to **adjourn** the Committee on Justice and Public Safety meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 6:28 pm.

April 11, 2011
Date Approved

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A meeting of the COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, will be held on Monday March 14, 2011, at 6:01 p.m., following other scheduled committee meetings in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 14, 2011

- **A. Ms. Roxanne Willey, Communications Deputy Director,** Re: National Public Safety Telecommunications week.
- **B.** Mr. Rembert Wrenn, Berkeley County Fire Commissioner, Re: Transfer of pool fire fees:
- 1. Transfer in the amount of \$19,800.00 to Berkeley County Training Center for operations.
- 2. Transfer in the amount of \$12,635.00 to Jamestown Rural for fire truck equipment.
- C. Mr. Tom Smith, Berkeley County Emergency Preparedness Department, Re: Annual Recurring Grant Applications. (Four (4) Grants, no matching funds required).

March 9, 2011 S/Barbara B. Austin, CCC Clerk of County Council